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To: Subst. House Bill No. **5466**

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"AN ACT CONCERNING CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORDS CHECKS FOR HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS OF A FAMILY CHILD CARE HOME AND PROVIDING CHILD CARE FOR ASSISTANCE RECIPIENTS ENROLLED IN APPROVED HIGHER EDUCATION PROGRAMS."

- 1 Strike sections 5 and 6 in their entirety and insert the following in
- 2 lieu thereof:
- 3 "Sec. 5. Subsection (b) of section 17b-688i of the general statutes is
- 4 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (Effective July
- 5 1, 2016):
- 6 (b) [To the extent permitted under section 17b-688c, the] <u>The</u> Labor
- 7 Department shall be responsible for the administration of employment
- 8 services to recipients of temporary family assistance under the
- 9 employment services program, administered by the Department of
- 10 Social Services pursuant to section [17-688c] 17b-688c. The
- 11 employment services provided by the Labor Department shall include
- 12 appropriate basic education and occupational skills training combined

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13 with subsidized or unsubsidized work experience and employment, as 14 deemed appropriate by the Labor Department, and any other 15 programs or services deemed appropriate by the Labor Department, to 16 the extent permitted under state and federal law, including, but not 17 limited to, the following: (1) Employment; (2) work-study, internship 18 or apprenticeship opportunities; (3) adult skills training, including 19 literacy, mathematics and language proficiency with curriculum 20 related to job opportunities and job search skills; (4) occupational skills 21 training; (5) case management and counseling in successful work skills; 22 (6) enrollment at a public or independent institution of higher 23 education; and [(6)] (7) access to state-subsidized child care and 24 transportation, where needed. Services may be provided by existing 25 service providers, including, but not limited to, local or regional 26 boards of education or regional educational service centers that offer 27 adult education programs, community-technical colleges, [and] 28 technical high schools and public and independent institutions of 29 higher education.

- Sec. 6. Subsection (b) of section 17b-689d of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July* 1, 2016):
- 33 (b) To the extent permissible under federal law, the Labor 34 Commissioner, in consultation with the Commissioner of Social 35 Services, [may] shall approve education courses as required 36 employment activities for a recipient of temporary family assistance. 37 [Education] Such education courses [that may be approved] shall 38 include, but are not limited to: (1) [Two-year or four-year college 39 degree Degree programs offered at public and independent 40 institutions of higher education, and (2) high school graduate 41 equivalency degree or basic education programs for recipients 42 otherwise ineligible to enroll in such programs during their first 43 twenty weekly hours of required employment activities.
- Sec. 7. Section 17b-112j of the general statutes is repealed. (*Effective July* 1, 2016)

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